



UTAH LABOR COMMISSION ANNUAL SAFETY AWARD

THE 2007 UTAH LABOR COMMISSION SAFETY AWARD FOR 2007 HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO ELLSWORTH PAULSEN CONSTRUCTION. THE UTAH LABOR COMMISSION PRESENTS THE ANNUAL AWARD TO AN ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS ACHIEVED OUTSTANDING RESULTS WITH RESPECT TO ITS WORKPLACE SAFETY PROGRAM.

THE COMPANY WAS FOUNDED IN 1929 AS PAULSEN CONSTRUCTION. IN 1984, THE COMPANY BECAME ELLSWORTH PAULSEN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. TODAY, THE COMPANY HOLDS LICENSES IN ALL OF THE INTERMOUNTAIN STATES.

ELLSWORTH PAULSEN HAS LEFT ITS MARK ON THE UTAH LANDSCAPE WITH SUCH PROJECTS AS THE WELLS FARGO CENTER IN PROVO, THE 238 UNIT EMIGRATION COURT APARTMENTS IN DOWNTOWN SALT LAKE CITY, AND THE 117 UNIT METRO CONDOMINIUMS ALSO IN DOWNTOWN SALT LAKE CITY. ELLSWORTH PAULSEN VALUES THEIR EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS. TOGETHER WITH PRODUCTION AND QUALITY, THE COMPANY'S PRIMARY GOAL IS TO RETURN EVERYONE SAFELY HOME EACH NIGHT. IN 2006, ELLSWORTH PAULSEN CONSTRUCTION'S SAFETY PROGRAM AFFECTED OVER 2000 PEOPLE ON VARIOUS JOBSITES. THE COMPANY HAS CONSISTENTLY DEDICATED ITS EFFORTS TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IN SAFETY PERFORMANCE. THE COMPANY HAS A WRITTEN SAFETY PROGRAM THAT IS INCORPORATED IN ALL WORK ACTIVITIES. PRE-JOB PLANNING SAFETY CONFERENCES ARE HELD, AND ROUTINE JOB HAZARD ANALYSES ARE CONDUCTED ON EVERY PROJECT TO ENSURE THAT ALL SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS ARE AWARE OF THE COMPANY'S SAFETY PROCEDURES. WEEKLY TOOLBOX MEETINGS AND SITE INSPECTIONS ARE ALSO ESSENTIAL IN PROVIDING EVERY EMPLOYEE WITH THE KNOWLEDGE NEEDED TO ENSURE A SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT.

THE SUCCESS OF ELLSWORTH PAULSEN'S SAFETY PROGRAM HAS BEEN CREDITED TO SEVERAL FACTORS INCLUDING; THE COMPANY'S ABILITY TO IMPART THEIR SAFETY EXPECTATIONS ON THEIR EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS, AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY UTAH OSHA'S CONSULTATION PROGRAM.

CURRENTLY, ELLSWORTH PAULSEN CONSTRUCTION IS 58% BELOW THE NATIONAL AVERAGE WITH REGARD TO INCIDENT RATES. IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, THE COMPANY HAS BEEN ABLE TO LOWER THEIR WORKERS COMPENSATION EXPERIENCE MODIFIER BY 40%.

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Buckle up this Thanksgiving

- **Safety Belts Save Lives**
- **Safety Belts are the single most effective way to protect your family in vehicle crashes.**
- **75 percent of the passenger vehicle occupants who were in fatal crashes in 2004, and were restrained, survived the crash.**
- **Men—Especially younger men are much less likely to buckle up. In 2004, 67 percent of male drivers, and 73 percent of male passengers between the ages of 18 and 34 who were killed in crashes, were NOT wearing their safety belts.**

Did you know?

It may take from 15 to 40 years to discover the negative health effects of exposure to Asbestos.

"Working together we can make the beautiful State of Utah a safer place to work, elevating our workplace safety and health culture to a higher level of excellence"

UOSH announces new Consultation and Compliance Managers

UOSH administrator, Louis Silva has recently announced that Kate McNeill has accepted the offer to assume the challenging position of UOSH Consultation Program Manager. Ms. McNeill has been part of the UOSH team since June 2001, first as Compliance Officer and most recently for the last three years as a Safety and Health Officer for the Consultation Program. Kate has over 20 years of experience in the field of occupational safety and health, including the safety and health management of several multi-employer projects, also conducting industrial hygiene work for underground and structural surface operations during the construction of subway stations and tunneling. Since 2001, she has demonstrated a commendable dedication to UOSH and the Labor Commission, always finding new and better ways to serve the employers and workers of the state and her colleagues in compliance, consultation and administration.



Mr. Silva stated he is certain Ms. McNeill will continue to make a valuable contribution to Utah OSHA as the Consultation program continues to expand to new areas of strategic emphasis such as youth employment safety, Hispanic worker's safety, residential construction prevention plans, compliance assistance, VPP, SHARP and Public Sector Consultation.

For more information on our free consultation services, contact us by phone at (801) 530-6855, or visit our website at www.uosh.utah.gov.



UOSH is very pleased to announce Eldon Tryon has accepted the appointment of UOSH Compliance Program Manager. Mr. Tryon has been part of UOSH and the Labor Commission since 1990, assigned as Senior Industrial Hygienist and most recently as Consultation Program Manager. Mr. Tryon is an achieved health and safety professional, equipped not only with extensive experience in the field, but also with CSP and CIH certifications, complemented by a Ph.D in Biochemistry from the University of Utah. His extensive knowledge and experience in the field of industrial hygiene, occupational health and occupational safety has always been extremely valuable to the consultation program and now will play an essential role in the success of the compliance program.

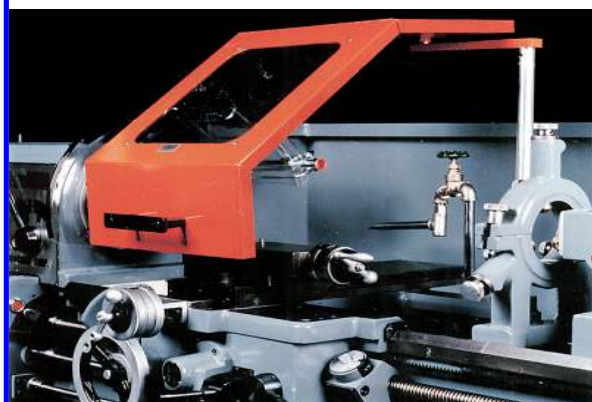


OSHA 10 Hour Construction Industry classes

November 2007	January 2008	March 2008	May 2008
<u>27-28</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>19-20</u>	<u>21-22</u>
July 2008	September 2008	November 2008	
<u>16-17</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>19-20</u>	

There is no cost to the employer or employees for the OSHA 10 Hour Class. Each employee that completes the 10 hour training will be issued a 10 Hour Occupational Safety and Health Training Course card, issued by the U.S. Department of Labor. An employee must attend all 10 hours to receive the card. All classes will be held in Room 1026 at the State Tax Commission Building, located at 210 North 1950 West, SLC. Classes begin each day promptly at noon and end, promptly at 5:00PM.

Chuck Guard on a Horizontal Lathe



NOTICE TO ALL CONTRACTORS

OSHA regulates asbestos-containing building materials even if they contain <1% asbestos

Training for employees who disturb or have the potential to disturb asbestos containing <1% asbestos are required to have specific training. This training is defined under 29 CFR 1926.1101 (k) (9) (viii) (A - J)

The employer is required to conduct an Exposure Assessment (Respirators are required if there is no negative exposure assessment)

General Work Controls are required:

- Wet methods
- Prompt cleanup
- Leak-tight containers

For More information, visit the OSHA website at www.osha.gov

